## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH <u>ABSTRACT</u>

Public Services — Forest Department – Sri Y.A. Mohana Rao, Forest Section Officer (Expired) formerly Yellamanchili Range of Visakhapatnam Division - Negligence of duty in drawal and disbursement of the amounts drawn from the Joint Account of Tripuravanipalem VSS resulting in excess charging of planting points in the VSS – Finalization of the disciplinary action initiated against Sri Y. A. Mohana Rao, Forest Section Officer (Expired) - Further action abated – Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 38

Dated:02-06-2015. Read the following:-

- 1.G.O.Ms.No.85, Fin&Plg. (FW.Pen-I) Dept., dt 12.7.1999.
- 2. From the PCCF Ref.No.60363/2007/K1, dt. 01.03.2009
- 3.G.M. No. 1830/For.IV/A2/2009-1, dt. 13.05.2009.
- 4. From the PCCF Ref. No. 60363/2007/K1, dt. 7.1.2013.

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## ORDER:

In the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above, the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad has informed that, Article of Charges were issued under Rule 20 of APCS Rules 1991, against Sri Y.A. Mohana Rao, Forest Section Officer (Expired) formerly Yellamanchili Section, Yellamanchili Range, Visakhapatnam by the Divisional Forest Officer, Visakhapatnam vide Rc. No. 68/01/AA-E, dt. 22.06.2002 on the following counts:-

- **Charge-I** That he has shown gross neglect of duty in drawal and disbursement of the amounts drawn from the Joint Account of Tripuravanipalem VSS resulting in excess charging of planting points in the VSS.
- <u>Charge-II</u> That he has not handed over the Section Cash Book relating to NABARD RIDF\_VII, VSS M. Books of Kothayerravaram and 2 Nos. of old M. Books to his successor while he was transferred to Kasipatnam Section of Ananthagiri Range.
- **Charge-III** That he has not physically handed over the Form-5 produce to his successor.
- 2. The charged officer acknowledged the Article of charges and submitted his explanation on 28.01.2003, denying the charges. Not satisfied with the explanation of the Charged Officer, the Divisional Forest Officer, Visakhapatnam appointed the Sub-Divisional Forest Officer, Visakhapatnam and the Forest Range Officer, Yellamanchili as Inquiry Officer and presenting Officer respectively vide Ref. No. 68/01/AA-E, dt. 07.10.2006.
- 3. The Inquiry Officer has submitted his findings in which he has concluded that the Charged Officer has carried out the works and charged excess expenditure of Rs. 46,954/- in VSS works and he is responsible for the excess charging and deviation in the planting points and hence the Charge-I is proved beyond reasonable doubt. Regarding Article of Charge-II, the Inquiry Officer stated that since the records are handed over to his successor as reported by the Forest Range Officer, Yellamanchili, the above fact may be considered and hence the charge is partly proved. Regarding Article of Charge-III, out of 2150 No. of Bamboos expected to be on ground, only 280 Bamboos are actually existing in deteriorated condition and the balance 1970 might have deteriorated and mixed with soil due to the delayed gap period and benefit of doubt can be given to the Charged Officer and hence the charge is not proved.

- 4. Meanwhile, the Charged Officer expired on 04.11.2006, before finalizing the case by the Divisional Forest Officer and as per the rules, the case has to be finalized by the Government.
- 5. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests has requested the Government to abate further action against Sri Y.A. Mohana Rao, Forest Section Officer (expired) and order to recover the amount of Rs. 46,954/- from his DCRG.
- 6. The matter has been examined by the Government in the light of the subrule (7) (a) of rule 9 of the A. P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as mentioned in G.O.Ms.No.85, Fin&Plg. (FW.Pen-I) Dept., dt 12.7.1999 and under the provisions of G.O.Ms.No.995 Finance (Pen.I) Dept dt 21.12.2002.
- 7. Accordingly, the Government here by order to abate further action against the deceased Government servant Sri Y.A. Mohana Rao, Forest Section Officer (Expired), formerly Yellamanchili Range of Visakhapatnam Division, including recovery of the amount of Rs. 46,954/-, duly taking a compassionate view in this case.
- 8. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad is directed to take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASHWINI KUMAR PARIDA SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad. (With original record of DFO, Visakhapatnam File Bearing No.681/2001/M2, containing CF-322 pages. The receipt of the same may be acknowledged).

Legal heirs of late Sri Y.A. Mohana Rao, Forest Section Officer (Expired) (through Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests.)

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The Accountant General, A.P. Hyderabad.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, A.P., Hyderabad.
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SECTION OFFICER